



Bureau of Land Management

LAND USE PLANNING

BACKGROUND

BLM's 162 resource management plans form the basis for every action and approved use on the public lands, including 262 million acres of surface lands and 700 million acres of mineral estate. Planning emphasizes a collaborative approach, where local, State, and Tribal governments, the public, and interest groups work with the BLM to identify appropriate multiple uses of the public lands.



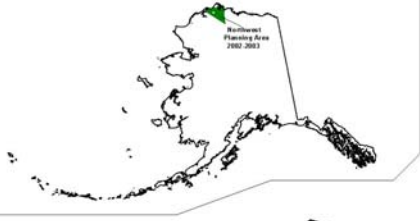
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TIME SENSITIVE PLANNING

The BLM is committed to updating its entire planning base. In particular, the agency has identified 21 "Time Sensitive Plans" that merit immediate attention in addressing high priority issues. The BLM is moving quickly to develop these 21 land use plans and, in order to ensure the success of the initiative, will continue to increase coordination and consultation with the public, local and national interest groups, state government, and Congress. BLM is developing compressed project schedules, implementing efficiencies in processes, and dedicating financial resources. The BLM is directing its resources toward completing these critical plans within the next three years to address the most urgently needed plan revisions and amendments.

The Time Sensitive Plans (TSPs) address a number of complex issues, including:

- Increasing demands on the wildland-urban interface in the rapidly urbanizing West, including recreation and open space;
- Growing numbers of listed and candidate species;
- Increased demands for domestic energy supply, new mineral extraction technologies, and the need for a modernization of energy transmission infrastructure;
- The need to plan for fire management; and
- New Congressional and Administration designations of National Conservation Areas, National Monuments, Wilderness, Wilderness Study Areas, Wild and Scenic Rivers, and National Scenic and Historic trails.



TIME SENSITIVE PLAN STATE CONTACTS

Alaska: *Gene Terland* 907-271-3344
•National Petroleum Reserve Alaska-Northwest Integrated Activity Plan

Arizona: *Gregg Simmons* 602-417-9446
•Las Cienegas National Conservation Area (NCA) Plan

California: *Jack Mills* 916-978-4636
•North and East Colorado Desert Amendment
•North and East Mojave Desert Amendment
•West Mojave Desert Amendment
•Imperial Sand Dunes Amendment
•Santa Rosa/San Jacinto Mountains NM Plan

Colorado: *Sherri Thompson* 303-239-3758
•Colorado Canyons NCA Plan
•Roan Plateau Area Amendment
•Gunnison Gorge NCA Plan

Montana: *Jim Beaver* 406-896-5023
•Powder River & Billings Amendments

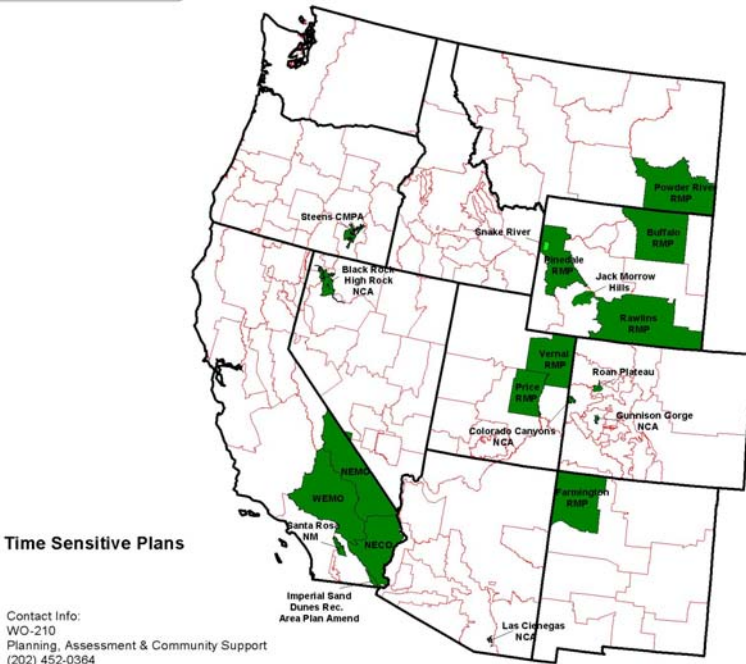
New Mexico: *J.W. Whitney* 505-438-7438
•Farmington Revision

Nevada: *Brian Amme* 775-861-6645
•Black Rock/High Rock NCA Plan

Oregon: *Eric Stone* 503-952-6087
•Steens Cooperative Management Area Plan

Utah: *Holly Roberts* 801-539-4272
•Vernal Revision
•Price River Revision

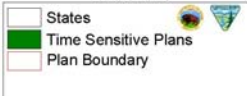
Wyoming: *Walt Goerge* 307-775-6116
•Jack Morrow Hills Coordinated Activity Plan
•Buffalo/Powder River Amendment
•Snake River Plan
•Pinedale Revision
•Great Divide Revision



Time Sensitive Plans

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LEGEND



PLANNING PROCESS

The BLM uses a multi-step planning process when developing a land use plan, some of which may occur concurrently. These steps have been fully integrated with the National Environmental Policy Act process and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) guidelines. The steps are:

- Identify Issues
- Develop Planning Criteria
- Inventory Data and Information Collection
- Analyze the Management Situation
- Formulate Alternatives
- Estimate Effects of Alternatives
- Select Preferred Alternative
- Select the Resource Management Plan
- Monitor and Evaluate

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